

PARIS DESERTED AND SOCIETY FLOCKING TO EUROPEAN RESORTS

VISITORS NOW CAPTURE PARIS

Americans Very Numerous, and Open Air Places Reaping Long Awaited Harvest.

CASTELLANES GO YACHTING

M. Jules Verne, the Aged Novelist, in Poor Health and Gradually Losing Sight.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—The weather this week gradually improved until Thursday was quite hot.

Paris, from a social point of view, is empty, but the usual crowds of visitors throng the boulevards and Americans are very numerous. The open air places of amusement on the Champs Elysees are now reaping their long awaited harvest and there are great crowds in the Bois de Boulogne daily seeking shade and coolness.

In contrast to Paris the provinces have suffered from thunderstorms.

M. Jules Verne III. Reports from Amiens, the home of M. Jules Verne, indicate that the aged novelist is in a very delicate state of health. His sight has gradually grown weaker. He takes short walks, wearing his favorite yachting cap, supported by a friend. His doctors insist on an operation for cataract, but M. Verne positively refuses on account of his age. M. Verne lives in a pretty house on the Boulevard de Longueville at Amiens, and has not been to Paris for several years.

Comte and Comtesse Boni de Castellane, after passing three days at Marseilles, sailed aboard the yacht Velleda with Comte Louis de Gontaut-Biron and Comte Guy de Labrousse for a cruise to Sicily, Corsica, Crete, Turkey and Dalmatia.

Comte Robert de Montesquiou is visiting Mme. Madeleine Lemaire at her d'Almeida villa.

Comtesse Paul d'Aramon this week gave birth to a daughter.

Princess Mathilde Bonaparte is steadily progressing in convalescence.

In the Hotels. Hotel registers in Paris during the summer season contain only a moderate number of names of notabilities. The majority of visitors remain a day or two and then go off to the resorts. Mr. Clarence Eddy arrived a few days ago and left for the Chateau de Trevano, Lugano.

Among those seen at the Ritz Hotel this week were Mr. George Otis Draper, Mr. John Ward, Mr. Wank Mackey, Mr. George C. Bold and Mr. Mrs. Carroll Brown, of New York.

At the Hotel de l'Athenée are Mr. A. P. Cummings, Mr. R. M. Helmer, and Dr. Mrs. and Miss Murray, of Brooklyn.

At the Elysée Palace Hotel are Mr. L. G. Sears, Miss S. M. Sears, Mr. George Gardner Hall and Mrs. Katherine Edwards, of Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bennett, Miss Taylor, Mrs. H. Scott Cameron, Mr. Charles L. Ernest, and Miss Lizzie Wells, of New York.

Scattered about Europe are—Berlin—James Cushman, R. G. Park and Mary W. Comstock, of New York.

Moran—General A. L. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daniel and Mr. and Mrs. A. Haskins, of New York.

Neuchâtel—Judge and Mrs. Schumacher, Mr. William Crane and Miss H. P. Taylor, of New York.

Frankfort on the Main—Colonel J. S. Riddle, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams, Mrs. H. O. Metcalf and Mr. H. R. Loening and family, of New York.

Chicago, Ill.—Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Blair, of Chicago, Ill.

The Hague—Mr. John H. Kimball and Dr. and Mrs. E. Palmer, of New York.

Salsomaggiore—Mme. Emma Calvé.

Freiburg—Mr. C. J. Osakes and family, of New York.

Mr. I. Clarence Jones and Mr. F. Dwight Porter, of New York, are travelling by automobile route to Stockholm.

AMERICAN ARTIST'S SON MARRIED

Mr. Charles Knight, a Pupil of Architecture at the Beaux Arts, Weds Mlle. Boucherie.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—The Chaillot quarter was quite gay on Tuesday with the marriage at St. Pierre de Chaillot of Mr. Charles Knight, a pupil of architecture at the Beaux Arts and a son of the popular American painter Mr. Ridgeway Knight, to Mlle. Boucherie, daughter of the president of the Société des Agriculteurs de France.

The bridegroom's witnesses were M. Charles Meisner, son of the great painter, and M. Léon Bonville, of the Bureau of Historic Monuments. In the bridal party were the Marquis and Marquise de Séguir, Baron Hély d'Oissel, the Marquis de Barbenente and M. Jules Lefebvre.

GRAY HAIRS LEAD TO SUIT

Two Sisters Try Dye, Causing Skin Disease, and Get Damages.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—Two dressmakers, one forty, the other fifty, found gray hairs detrimental to their trade and decided to use dye. One was dark and the other fair. The former bought eau de Cologne to color the hair brown and the latter an other kind of the same water to restore a chestnut color.

The dyeing succeeded, but afterward both women suffered from skin diseases, and their medical advisers informed them that this was caused by the dye. They decided to sue M. Nouvel, the manufacturer, for damages. One secured 1,000 francs and the other 2,500 francs. During the hearing evidence was given as to the preparation, which is composed of a compound of starch, paraffin and phenol.

METROPOLITAN CARS EMPTY

Belief That It Will Take Years for Company to Recover.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—Metropolitan trams on both the lines open are running almost empty. It is expected on the Bourse that it will take years for the company to recover from the blow.

Not only will receipts suffer severely, but the city of Paris will insist on the company spending millions in establishing sidings at each station, putting in ventilators and renewing the rolling stock. The shares, which had been looked upon as one of the most promising securities, are now left severely alone.



SUMMER AFTERNOON IN PARIS, WATCHING THE CARriages IN THE AVENUE DU BOIS DE BOULOGNE

JULES VERNE WHO IS RAPIDLY LOSING HIS SIGHT

AUTOMOBILES TO MEET IN CONTEST

Five Hundred Metre Race Fixed for Deauville and Hill Climbing in Austria.

M. GUSTAVE RIVES HONORED

Scorchers May Be Punished by Having Vehicles Painted a Special Color.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—M. Gustave Rives, organizer of the annual automobile shows in the Grand Palais and one of the founders of the Automobile Club, who is a renowned architect and honorary president of the Exhibition Committee of the St. Louis Exposition, has been promoted to be an officer of the Legion of Honor.

M. Morgholman, a Roumanian and owner of racing horses in France, was reported to have killed a boy while driving an automobile at Deauville. He writes to say that he never drove one in his life and had only accepted a lift in the automobile which caused the accident.

After various contradictory reports a five hundred metre automobile contest at Deauville has been authorized by the prefect to be run on September 12 and 13.

Another automobile meeting of great interest to chauffeurs frequenting Austrian resorts, usually including some Americans, is the hill climbing contests on the Semmering, near Vienna, which have just been authorized for September 13.

The latest suggestion for the suppression of the automobile scorcher is that his automobile be painted a special color, that is, the authorities should order all chauffeurs convicted of reckless driving to paint their machines a certain shade, so that in future pedestrians may be able to tell at sight automobiles which are dangerous. It is humorously suggested that black, with a skull and crossbones in front, would be appropriate.

YOUTH OF SIXTEEN ELECTRIC EXPERT

Brazilian Boy Astonishes Scientists by New Inventions in Light and Power Appliances.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—A young Brazilian to come before scientific circles in Paris is Senhor Oswaldo de Faria, a youth of sixteen, who is solving problems which foiled electrical specialists. He has invented a regulator permitting the transformation of currents to regulate light with incredible ease and simplicity.

This week the Brazilian Minister, a number of leading electrical and scientific authorities and engineers assembled in his mother's drawing room and enthusiastically applauded his achievements. An apparatus utilizing the Champs Elysees section's current produced a fixed light, propelled a four horse power motor and a bobine giving a fifty-five centimetre spark, besides charging accumulators rapidly.

PARTRIDGE SHOOTING LATE

Season Opens Next Sunday, Being Delayed by Bad Weather.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—Partridge shooting in the second zone of France opens on August 23, a week later than usual. Uniformity of dates is impossible because of climatic conditions. The Minister of Agriculture fixes the opening of each zone separately, the south first, because the partridges are of the red-legged breed and are ready directly the vintage is over. The centre comes next and the north third, about the same as in England, and Brittany last, the crops being later.

Owing to the cold and wet in these regions the opening days have been fixed in accordance with the state of the crops, which this year are later than last. This year, also, the prohibition against importing Egyptian quail has been suspended, but during the sporting season only.

BALLOON VISITS PLACE VENDOME

Overtaken by a Storm and Heavy with Wet, It Alights in Centre of City.

NOVEL EXPERIENCE FOR GIRL

M. Blanqui, a Young Aeronaut, Was Taking His Sister on a Trip by Night.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—The unwanted spectacle was witnessed in the Place Vendôme late on Saturday night of a balloon that had just landed. It was deflated, packed in a cab and driven off.

M. Blanqui, a young aeronaut, was taking his sister for a night trip over Paris from St. Cloud. He was overtaken by a storm, and the envelope became heavy and caused the balloon to descend in the centre of the city. It was a remarkable experience for a girl making only her second ascent.

MERINVILLE NOT TO COME TO NEWPORT

Baroness von Zedwitz Contradicts Statement That They Will Occupy Villa This Summer.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—Baroness von Zedwitz sends from La Chartreuse, via Tunis, the following correction to the HERALD:—"Kindly contradict the statement published in your issue of August 8, contained in a Newport letter, to the effect that the Marquis and Marquise de Ménilville will open and inhabit their villa in Newport this summer. The Marquise de Ménilville will not be in Newport at all this summer."

"The villa in question is the sole property of two daughters of the late William Shakespeare Caldwell, viz., the Baroness von Zedwitz and the Marquise des Monts-Ménilville, which property they own jointly, not individually. No third person ever has or could have the right or title to proprietorship in any sense of the word."

ARTISTS FEAR TO EXHIBIT

Afraid Works Sent to St. Louis May Be Copied Without Authority.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—French artists and sculptors who are sending works to the St. Louis Exposition are apparently afraid that their exhibits will be reproduced, although the committee has announced that no work will be reproduced without the written authority of the artist, countersigned by the chief commissioner of the art department.

The Société des Artistes Français declares it dangerous to accept these terms, and artists are advised to register at the Washington office their authors' rights.

GENEVA.

Miss Gracie, of Philadelphia, Wins Golf Prize and Dances a Success.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Geneva, Saturday.—The hotel is crowded with visitors and hundreds are arriving daily. The golf links are thronged with enthusiastic players. A prize offered by Mr. Williams, of Philadelphia, was won by Miss O. Gracie, by a score of 83 for eighteen holes. Mrs. Kellogg won the ladies' cup. Miss Williams, of Philadelphia, being second.

Mr. T. R. Gracie has joined Dr. F. Pearce in Valais for mountaineering.

The weekly dances at the National are a great success. Stopping at this hotel are Miss Telf, Mrs. Whitmore, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Redfield and Mr. J. B. Dickson, of New York.

At the Metropole are Dr. F. Ferguson and Mr. J. J. Oakley.

At the Beau Rivage are Dr. Seward Webb, Mr. C. E. Dilworth, Mr. F. Hyde and Mrs. W. L. Trett.

HUMBERTS MAY GET LIGHT SENTENCE

Maitre Labori Devoting His Energies to Clearing Them of Graver Charge.

SWINDLING A MISDEMEANOR

As Such Five Years Extreme Penalty, While Forgery Brings Penal Servitude.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—A curious note showing the undistinguished nature of the Humbert trial audience in the Assize Court is that on the evening of the opening day, barring M. Claretie, Mme. du Gast and the famous "dame blanche" of the Dreyfus trial, not a single well known Parisian was in court.

It is now becoming clear that Maitre Labori is devoting his whole energies to exculpate his clients from the charges of forgery. Charges of forgery are the only ones on which a sentence of penal servitude is possible. The third charge, that of swindling, is by the French code not a crime, but only a misdemeanor, and the maximum sentence is five years' imprisonment.

President Bonnet, who is trying the Humberts case, received a letter from New York in which the writer states that should the family be sentenced to a long term of imprisonment he will make the following offer:—"The Humberts are to be handed over to the writer, who will place them in large steel cages for a tour throughout America. The exhibition would yield millions, and the takings would be given to the ruined creditors of the Humberts, the writer only retaining ten per cent of the receipts."

"The idea is a good one, but as the letter is signed 'Crawford' it is evident that a joker is responsible for it."

HOMBURG.

Dull and Rainy Weather Drives Visitors to Games of Bridge.

[From the European Edition of the Herald.] Homburg.—Every rainy morning, which this year is equivalent to saying every other morning, little notes flutter about at first breakfast time, summoning the faithful to their early game of bridge, which then continues, save for that meal, as long as the rain lasts.

"It bridges over the wet spots of existence," feebly punned an inveterate player. "Besides, there's nothing else to do."

A hard saying for Homburg, considering the puffball game in one of the hotels and the ping-pong tables in the Kurhaus, to say nothing of the two Dutch tops, which may be spun for ten pfennigs a "go," and a field of little horses ready to start on their mad career for fifty pfennigs a ticket.

Tables and horses have not much success, but the tops are nearly always surrounded. They are all in the big room where, it is said, the roulette ball used to rattle in former days, and where ever and anon even now some one is heard to sigh and wish that it were rattling still.

The neighborhood of the springs these wet mornings is not exactly cheerful. People arrive wearing waterproofs and long faces, the band has a select assortment of dirges for the occasion, which are played with admirable pathos, and eyes have a strong inclination to weep as profoundly as umbrellas. The "one glass of Landgraf and two glasses of Elizabeth," or the "two glasses of Elizabeth and one glass of Ludwig" are then drunk with unwonted rapidity, and the drinkers scuffle off home like chickens to their roosts.

Oddly enough the only people who smile and seem to be amused are the newcomers, whose sense of the ridiculous is probably helped by the wet barnyardlike aspect of the surroundings.

The said newcomers include: Mrs. V. von Courtesse Glanoff and her two handsome daughters, Sir Francis Montefiore, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Benedict, Colonel Herbert and Mr. P. Napier, Mr. Napier, by the way, and Mr. Arthur Maclellan are of the few who appreciate the beauty of the woods on a rainy day and enjoy a long walk in all weathers.

AUTOMOBILE TO SCATTER FAVORS

Novel Way to Distribute Flowers Inaugurated at Cotillon at Lucerne.

NOW A CENTRE OF GAYETY

Soiree Dansante at Hotel and American Consul at Prague Gives Dinner.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Lucerne, Saturday.—Lucerne might today justly be called the centre of gaiety and amusement in Europe. Nothing could be more perfect than the soiree dansante given at the Hotel National on Saturday night, when the American element was very conspicuous. The cotillon was most gracefully led by Comte Palagi and the charming Miss Kohn.

After two hours of dancing in dashed a large automobile literally covered, body and wheels, with hundreds of bouquets of flowers, which were distributed to the guests. The chauffeur, in automobile dress, cap and goggles, was Comte Palagi, with Miss Kohn as passenger. Supper was served at small tables beautifully decorated.

Mrs. Heloise Tevis has arrived at the Hotel Sonnenberg, from Schinznachbad and has been visited by her daughter, Lady Plunkett, wife of the British Ambassador at Vienna, Sir Francis Plunkett. Mrs. Tevis is an American, but has resided in Florence for many years.

The United States Consul at Prague, Mr. Ethelbert Watts, and Mrs. Watts gave a smart dinner on Saturday in the Louis XVI. restaurant of the Hotel National. Among the guests were the Duke and Duchess Lante, Mr. William Peters and Judge William Wilkins Carr, of Philadelphia.

ST. MORITZ.

Swiss Resort, Crowded with Visitors, Soon To Be Social Hub.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] St. Moritz, Saturday.—St. Moritz will soon be the social hub of Europe. A great number of visitors are arriving daily from the resorts, enjoying the earlier seasons. An enjoyable dance was given at the Engadine Kuhn the other night by Mr. and Mrs. Stern, Mr. and Mrs. Havemeyer and Mrs. G. E. Dodge.

VICHY.

Five Days' Lawn Tennis Tournament Won by Mr. F. A. Bridgman.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Vichy, Saturday.—The chief event of the week has been a five days' lawn tennis tournament, which was favored with splendid weather. The hero of the tournament was Mr. F. A. Bridgman, the well known artist, who won all his sets, making sixty games, and thus gaining the first prize for men's singles. Mr. Bridgman played capably, especially against Baron de Lude, whom he beat after hard play by one point. The Baron's total showing was fifty-nine games won.

LUGANO.

Drowning of Dr. Menger Causes a Shock in Lake District.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Lugano, Saturday.—The drowning of Dr. Louis Emil Menger, a professor of B. y. Mawr College, while bathing in Lake Maggiore has caused a painful impression throughout the Italian lake district, as the young philologist had rendered himself socially popular. The Rev. Edward Curling officiated at the funeral.

At Mrs. Louis Lombard's musicale, at her home, the Chateau de Trevano, the guests included Mrs. Rafferty, Mr. and Mrs. Skeer, the Marchesse and Marchese Campert and General Ricotti, formerly Italian Minister of War. The Marchese Ricotti, a distinguished violinist, rendered Verdi's "Romance."

PARIS LAUGHS AT HUMBERT TRIAL

Turned to Comedy by Devices of Politicians to Make Use of it as a Weapon.

TUNNEL HORROR AVOIDABLE

Attack on M. Combes Creates Sympathy for Him, and His Position Is Stronger.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Paris, Saturday.—This week the curtains have been raised on the Humbert drama which has been awaited with a curiosity that is not sufficiently explained by a passionate sentiment for justice. The political parties had seized on this affair to throw it at each other's heads, so that the question was no longer to know whether or not Mme. Humbert and her family had perpetrated "the greatest swindle of the century," according to the expression of M. Waldeck-Rousseau, but whether the majority of those who visited the Humbert residence in the Avenue de la Grand Armée belonged to the government party or the opposition.

It should be stated that this question was first raised by the opposition. It would have been unbecoming to complain that one of its members was the first to suffer. It is more than probable that this member, a Paris Deputy and a former Minister thought that in his business affairs with the Humberts he was dealing with perfect honesty. He has only his political friends to blame for the chagrin brought upon him by the publication of his correspondence with Mme. Humbert.

The course of the trials that have taken place so far has caused great disappointment. Mme. Humbert speaks it say that she will not speak and to say that she will speak later. Nevertheless she has already conceded that the Crawford does not exist, at least under the name of Crawford, and that the Chateau de Marcotte did not exist either. But she leaves it to be understood that there is beneath it all a profound mystery, of which she will reveal the secret if the jurymen demand it before they retire to their con sulding room.

Frédéric Humbert, whom people thought a plaything in the hands of his wife, has shown himself to be a legal tactician of the first class, and he fights the case too by foot, only bringing forward the plea of ignorance when the questions of the presiding judge embarrass him. He will come out of it, if not with a character as a man of integrity, at least with the reputation of a very able man. The public which attends the trial is amused and sometimes seems to think it a comedy.

The Tunnel Disaster.

The week, however, has not been entirely given to comedy. The horrible catastrophe of the Metropolitan Underground Railway has brought terror and grief to all hearts. It was expected that the "Metro," as Parisians call it, would pay its tribute to death, as do all means of locomotion, but no one thought there would be such a hecatomb. Besides that, it should be stated, people have a feeling that this accident could have been avoided if the station masters had been less imprudent. If the station masters had observed the rules better and if the company itself, knowing how uncertain electric lighting is, had installed in each station another kind of light to replace that which failed.

The pathway of improvement and progress is strewn with human sacrifices. Probably that will not console the families of the eighty-four victims, to whom we also send the expression of our deepest sympathy.

M. Combes' Speech.

This catastrophe has almost caused people to forget the speech M. Combes made on the preceding evening at Marseilles and the incidents which accompanied it. On Sunday night a rumor was circulated in Paris that a shot had been fired from a revolver at the President of the Council of Ministers. The revolver shot was out; a tomato. This detail of the affair amused the nationalist press, which said that the missile was worthy of the person at whom it was directed. I remember that a similar remark was once made by the same press in reference to President Carnot, fifteen months before the attack which cost him his life, when a crazy man threw a tomato at his carriage. Such memories should stop at the next certain feeling remarks from being written.

As to M. Combes' speech itself, it contains nothing new. He says he will finish the task he has begun and that neither public outrages nor personal injuries will discourage him, certain as he is of having all republican France with him. His thousands of hearers applauded him with all the frenzy that in Marseilles they know how to put into the expression of their approval and enthusiasm. One thing that in any case will result from this speech is that M. Combes has no desire to get out and that he will be at his post when the Chambers meet again in October.

TROUVILLE.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Trouville, Saturday.—Though the weather has been threatening during the week, only a few drops of rain have fallen. Breakfasts and dinners take place in the normal manner.

On Wednesday Baroness Alphonse de Rothschild was dining at the Hotel de Paris with Baron Henry de Rothschild and Mrs. Arthur Paget. At other tables were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Beckman and the Baroness von Wrede.

On Tuesday morning announcement was made of the approaching wedding of Miss Kuhne Beveridge, daughter of the Baron and Baroness von Wrede, and Mr. William E. Branson, on August 25. The engagement is the outcome of a youthful attachment. Mr. Branson was long settled in Johannesburg, but comes from Texas.

After Trouville's busy week the Baroness von Wrede will entertain guests for the wedding from various parts of Europe at her Maison Normande.

AIX-LES-BAINS.

Horse Show Attended by King of Greece, and Pigeon Shooting Continues.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Aix-les-Bains, Saturday.—The Horse Show has been the most successful and most largely attended one of recent years, despite the sultry weather. The King of Greece, like the rest of the sojourners at Aix, was present.

Pigeon shooting continues, and a supplementary programme has been published for August 25. Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont, before leaving for Cherbourg, gave a large farewell dinner at the Cercle.

Lord Revelstoke entertained the King of Greece at breakfast on Tuesday. Mrs. Cornwallis-West and Miss Warrender were among the guests.

The Contessa di Conturbia has been stopping a week with her mother and father-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Stewart, of Baltimore.

A garden party given by Mr. Charles Pace Bryan, United States Minister to Portugal, at his residence, at Cintra, attracted Lisbon's most beautiful women and groups of the American officers.

A flooring was laid in the grounds surrounding the house, and dancing took place to the strains of the Brooklyn band.

A visit was made by invitation of the Marquis Barone do Alentejo to his castle where the American officers found the Stars and Stripes floating from the highest battlement. The banquet, instead of being spread in the dining hall, was held in a terrace overlooking a moonlit scene of great beauty.

Admiral Cotton Entertains on the Brooklyn and Mr. Bryan Gives Party at Embassy.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] Lisbon, Saturday.—Connected with King Carlos' visit to the United States cruiser Brooklyn a delightful entertainment was given on the flagship. Dancing continued from three until seven P. M. An amusing diversion was provided by a couple of colored seamen, who at Admiral Cotton's instigation gave a cakewalk, to the huge delight of the visitors, many of whom witnessed the dance for the first time. It was nightfall before the guests bade farewell.

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